### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs held a hearing on H.R. 286, the "Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act of 2015"; and H.R. 872, the "Thomasina E. Jordan Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act of 2015". Testimony was heard from Kevin Washburn, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

## PLANNED PARENTHOOD'S TAXPAYER FUNDING

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Planned Parenthood's Taxpayer Funding". Testimony was heard from a public witness.

# JUSTICE FOR VICTIMS OF IRANIAN TERRORISM ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee began a hearing on H.R. 3457, the "Justice for Victims of Iranian Terrorism Act". Testimony was heard from Representatives Poe of Texas and Engel.

# ASTROBIOLOGY AND THE SEARCH FOR LIFE BEYOND EARTH IN THE NEXT DECADE

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Astrobiology and the Search for Life Beyond Earth in the Next Decade". Testimony was heard from Ellen Stofan, Chief Scientist, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and public witnesses.

# THE BLACKLIST: ARE SMALL BUSINESSES GUILTY UNTIL PROVEN INNOCENT?

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce; and Subcommittee on Investigations, Oversight and Regulations, held a joint hearing entitled "The Blacklist: Are Small Businesses Guilty Until Proven Innocent?". Testimony was heard from Anne Rung, Administrator, Office of Federal Procurement Policy, Office of Management and Budget; Lafe Solomon, Senior Labor Compliance Advisor, Office of the Solicitor, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a markup on legislative proposals in response to the reconciliation directive included in section 2002 of S. Con. Res. 11. The Reconciliation Legislative Recommendations Relating to Repeal of Certain Excise Taxes Enacted in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act was favorably transmitted to the House Committee on the Budget, as amended. The

Reconciliation Legislative Recommendations Relating to Repeal of Independent Payment Advisory Board was favorably transmitted to the House Committee on the Budget, without amendment.

### Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investment, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Securities Investor Protection Corporation, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Water, and Wildlife, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Army Corps of Engineers' participation in the development of the new regulatory definition of "Waters of the United States", 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold closed hearings to examine the economic crisis in Ukraine, 2 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider S. 799, to combat the rise of prenatal opioid abuse and neonatal abstinence syndrome, S. 1893, to reauthorize and improve programs related to mental health and substance use disorders, S. 481, to amend the Controlled Substances Act and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to drug scheduling recommendations by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, and with respect to registration of manufacturers and distributors seeking to conduct clinical testing, and other pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD–430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the Department of Education and student achievement, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management, to hold hearings to examine end of the year spending, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Brian R. Martinotti, and Julien Xavier Neals, both to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, Robert F. Rossiter, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska, and Edward L. Stanton III, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Michael Herman Michaud, of Maine, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training, 2:30 p.m., SR—418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine pension advances, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

#### House

Committee on Agriculture, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1317, to amend the Commodity Exchange Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to specify how clearing requirements apply to certain affiliate transactions, and for other purposes; and hearing entitled "U.S. International Food Aid Programs: Stakeholder Perspectives", 9:45 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Implementing the Department of Defense Cyber Strategy", 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and The Workforce, Full Committee, markup on Committee Print of legislation regarding the Committee's instruction pursuant to section 2002 (a)(1) of S. Con. Res. 11, 10:30 a.m., HVC–210.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 8, the "North American Energy Security and Infrastructure Act of 2015"; H.R. 3242, the "Child Nicotine Poisoning Prevention Act of 2015"; and Proposed Matters for Inclusion in Reconciliation Recommendations (continued), 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 414, the "Burdensome Data Collection Relief Act; H.R. 957, the "Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection-Inspector General Reform Act of 2015"; H.R. 1090, the "Retail Investor Protection Act"; H.R. 1266, the "Financial Product Safety Commission Act of 2015"; and H.R. 2769, the "Risk-Based Capital Study Act of 2015", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Cyber War: Definitions, Deterrence, and Foreign Policy", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled "Ridding Central Africa of Joseph Kony: Continuing U.S. Support", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

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Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats, hearing entitled "The Threat of Islamist Extremism in Russia", 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3102, the "Airport Access Control Security Improvement Act of 2015"; H.R. 3144, the "Partners for Aviation Security Act"; H.R. 3350, the "Know the CBRN Terrorism Threats to Transportation Act"; H.R. 3361, the "Department of Homeland Security Insider Threat and Mitigation Act of 2015"; H.R. 3490, the "Strengthening State and Local Cyber Crime Fighting Act"; H.R. 3493, the "Securing the Cities Act of 2015"; H.R. 3503, the "Department of Homeland Security Support to Fusion Centers Act of 2015"; H.R. 3505, the "Department of Homeland Security Clearance Management and Administration Act"; H.R. 3510, the "Department of Homeland Security Cybersecurity Strategy Act of 2015"; H.R. 3572, the "DHS Headquarters Reform and Improvement Act of 2015"; H.R. 3578, the "DHS Science and Technology Reform and Improvement Act of 2015"; H.R. 3583, the "Promoting Resilience and Efficiency in Preparing for Attacks and Responding to Emergencies Act"; H.R. 3584, the "Transportation Security Administration Reform and Improvement Act of 2015"; H.R. 3586, the "Border and Maritime Coordination Improvement Act"; and H.R. 3598, the "Fusion Center Enhancement Act of 2015", 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2745, the "Standard Merger and Acquisition Reviews Through Equal Rules (SMARTER) Act of 2015"; and H.R. 3490, the "Strengthening State and Local Cyber Crime Fighting Act", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Respecting State Authority, Responsibilities and Expertise Regarding Resource Management and Energy Development", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Sub-committee on Transportation and Public Assets, hearing entitled "Status of Toll Interoperability", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on conference report to accompany H.R. 1735, the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016"; H. Con. Res. 79, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make corrections in the enrollment of H.R. 719; and H.R. 3457, the "Justice for Victims of Iranian Terrorism Act" [rule markup and reporting only], 11 a.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Dyslexia and the Need to READ: H.R. 3033, the Research Excellence and Advancements for Dyslexia Act", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Sub-committee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled "The Great Lakes Restoration Initiative: A Review of the Progress and Challenges in Restoring the Great Lakes", 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on the Department of Labor's proposed fiduciary rule, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine financing higher education, focusing on exploring current challenges and potential alternatives, 10 a.m., SD–562.